

Amendments to the Abstract:

Please amend the text of the Abstract as follows:

[[The]] A device ~~of the invention~~ for filtering fluids conveyed at high pressure ~~is easy to service and withstands very high pressures whilst having an appreciably larger filter area than conventional high-pressure filters.~~ For this purpose it is provided with an inlet opening ~~(21)~~, an outlet opening ~~(24)~~ and a metal housing ~~(2)~~ that encloses a filter chamber ~~(23)~~ and has a service opening ~~(3,4)~~ which is closed by a metal lid ~~(14,15)~~; ~~likewise of metal~~, which is seated by a contact force on a rim portion ~~(5,6)~~ surrounding the service opening ~~(3,4)~~ in direct contact with the metal ~~of the housing~~, ~~(2)~~, wherein the A rim surface ~~(7,8)~~ of the rim portion ~~(5,6)~~ that is associated with the lid ~~(14,15)~~ slopes between its ~~an~~ inner boundary edge ~~(10)~~ associated with the service opening ~~(3,4)~~ and its an outer boundary edge ~~(12)~~ such that the rim surface ~~(7,8)~~ forms an angle ~~(13)~~ deviating from 90° with the adjacent inside surface ~~(9)~~ and outside surfaces ~~(11)~~ of the rim portion, ~~(5,6)~~ and the A contact surface between the lid ~~(14,15)~~ and the rim portion ~~(5,6)~~ is limited to a fraction of the rim surface ~~(7,8)~~, and a filter element ~~wherein there is arranged inside the filter chamber (23) a filter element (26) through which a fluid flows on its way from the inlet opening (21) to the outlet opening (24).~~

A clean copy of the Abstract is attached hereto.